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1. No information is available concerning the presence of a paratroop unit in STRAUSBERG (N 53/V 15) and its transfer to ALTENBURG.

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it was reported that an air transport regiment had landed in ALTENBURG (N 51/K 37). According to local residents these planes had brought an infantry unit from STRAUSBERG to ALTENBURG. The assumption that the aircraft which arrived in ALTENBURG had come from STRAUSBERG was supported by the following observations:

a. On the day when these transport aircraft were seen in ALTENBURG there were no transport planes in STRAUSBERG (see Air)

b. The rudder assemblies of the aircraft observed in ALTENBURG had the same markings as those previously stationed in STRAUSBERG (blue stripe).

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4. Reports on the presence in ALTENBURG of a parachute airborne unit have not been received recently. Parachute

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jumps from transport aircraft were observed over the ERFURT-BINDERLEBEN airfield (see [redacted]). It is not known whether these planes and the parachutists had come from ALTENBURG.

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5. The following army units, confirmed [redacted] and other observations up to the end of June 1949, are stationed in ALTENBURG:

36 AT Brigade
43 (Gds?) Gun arty Brigade.

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